

TO ADVERTISERS.
All advertisements are inserted at the rate of one shilling per line for the first week, and one shilling per line for each subsequent week. For longer periods, and for special positions, the rates will be ascertained on application to the Editor.

JOB PRINTING.
Book and Job Printing, of every description, executed. Terms, cash on delivery of the work.

CIVIC RESIGNATIONS.

We all must admit that the office of City Councillor in this city is not by any means a sinecure. The nominal reward for the prolonged and unremitting attention to municipal business incumbent upon those who are elected to fill that position, may be glory in one of its mildest phases, but in reality the only recompense by them received is nothing but an accumulation of trouble and vexation. This, however, is the case with nearly every body of men occupying a public position of a similar nature. The public are hard masters, and those who undertake to serve them, must be prepared to find them very often rather disposed to be capricious. However their officials generally manage to live through their period of office pretty well and be even, anxious to try it again. This is a spirit we like to see. We like to see men with sufficient spirit, with a sufficient amount of ambition to be desirous of fulfilling a prominent and useful position in society. If they are men of ability they may be the instruments of effecting much good for their fellow men from the very outset. If they are of ordinary capacity they will improve by experience. There has been much talk for some time, about the members of our Corporation, and their doings since they have come into office. They have been blamed for some things. This however they must be prepared to expect. They cannot hope always to please. They must in such cases rest satisfied with being animated with the best intentions. But there are other matters again, and these are not a few that entitle the City Council to the greatest credit—a credit which no one can honestly deny to them. It is impossible for one passing through the different streets of the town without being struck with the wonderful improvement everywhere visible as compared with the state of things under the Government regime. More real good has been accomplished during the few months of active operations under the Corporation than would formerly have been done in quadruple the time. This fact is sufficient to demonstrate the necessity of a good body of municipal officers. It is a fact which the public can appreciate. We may now and then find fault with the taxation or with the operation of some by-law, but if we are taxed by the city, we have some benefit from it—the money is expended in our midst—our property improved and increased in value—which is more than we can always say regarding the Government taxation. Our City Councillors therefore may have the consolation of feeling that they have been the means of accomplishing some good, and that their labors have not been wholly unavailing.

We think then that it would be very foolish indeed were any of them to put in effect any resolution he may have taken of resigning his post as Councillor. We have heard this spoken of more than once as likely to take place under certain contingencies, but we can conceive of no circumstances at present existing that would justify such a step. It is quite true that the City Council have not been fairly treated by the Government. But when they accepted their position as municipal officers they must have known that it was in the power of the general Government to alter or change the Act of Incorporation as they might see fit. It was for the Corporation to oppose any changes which they might think inimical to the interests of the City. Having done what they considered their duty, that was sufficient. If the Government did wrong, as we have no doubt they did, they have to answer for it to the public on the hustings. It is not for the Council to refuse to act under the change of circumstances. They ought to take things as they find them, and do the best they can. It is far more honorable to remain at one's post in all weathers than to desert it when things prove disagreeable. The worst part of the labor of the City Council may be said to be over. They have had more than ordinary difficulties on account of being the pioneers, but we think that henceforth their course will be like that of any other Town Council, smooth enough on the whole with an occasional excitement to make it interesting. We trust then that none of the present Council will show the white feather, but that all will complete the term of their office and do all the good they can. They have now got into the way of working, and have an amount of experience and acquaintance with City affairs that it would take a new member some time to acquire.

CAN THE ALPACA BE INTRODUCED INTO THESE COLONIES?
As a large portion of these Colonies is evidently more suited for grazing than agricultural purposes, the question will frequently arise what kind of stock it is capable of accommodating, and what kind would be likely to prove a source of profit? Of course the ordinary domestic animals we have been accustomed to at home immediately suggest themselves. Horned cattle, horses and sheep generally comprise our range of choice. Australia, however, has been endeavoring to extend the number of kinds of stock available for the production of textile fabrics, and with every prospect of success. For this purpose alpacas have been introduced from Peru. This animal with its allied species the llama and vicuña are found among the most elevated portions of the Peruvian republic even where the climate is most inclement, boisterous and variable. Their power of endurance of cold, heat, damp, hunger and thirst is very great. They appear harder in fact than the sheep. The llama is often used as a beast of burden and is capable of carrying from 100 to 200 pounds. But it is a wool-bearing animal that its value chiefly consists in. In this respect these animals are invaluable—the wool now commands between three and four shillings per pound in the English market, and the demand for it is constantly increasing as it possesses qualities not found in sheep's wool.

The importation into Great Britain of this material according to the London Quarterly Review in an article touching the subject, has risen from 5,700 lbs. in 1834, to 2,501,634 lbs. in 1859. Now it would be worth while for us to try and effect the introduction of so valuable an animal into these colonies. They would not doubt succeed admirably wherever sheep can live and even where they cannot. They will feed with sheep and protect them from other animals. In New South Wales where a flock was introduced in the latter end of the year 1858, they have succeeded better than in their native country, producing a heavier and finer fleece. It would be well to think if the experiment were tried here also. The table lands of British Columbia and the hills of this Island might thus be made to yield a very large revenue to the country for all future generations.

Wanted Immediately.
A GENERAL SERVANT IN A SMALL Family. Apply by letter, N. H., Colonist office. ap30 1w

Storage and Forwarding.
YALE, B. C.

PARTIES SHIPPING
BY THE YALE AND LYTON ROUTE,
ARE ADVISED THAT
KIMBALL & GLADWIN
HAVE ERECTED AN EXTENSIVE
Storehouse and Dock at Yale, B. C.,
And they are prepared to Receive, Store, and Forward Goods. The capacity of the Building is about
400 TONS,
AND IS PERFECTLY ISOLATED,
Offering security from Fire seldom met with in Interior Towns.
K. & G. act as Agents for parties employing them, and are prepared to receive and forward goods, rendering prompt attention to re-shipment and delivery of Goods.
ap30 1w

MONEY TO LEND ON REAL ESTATE.
Apply to
MR. COPLAND,
Brick Building, Langley street. ap26 1w

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

SAURDAY, May 2d,

At 11 o'clock, A. M.,

ON THE PREMISES.

Douglas street, near Fort.

By Order of the Trustees,

All the FURNITURE of Mr. HARDY

GILFILLAN,

CONSISTING OF

Bedsteads, Bed and Bedding, Chairs,

Tables, Washstands, Easy Chairs,

Mahogany Sideboards, Bureaus,

Hair Mattresses, Feather Pillows,

&c. &c.

One Superior Mahogany Side-Board:

One Lounge.

—ALSO—

Crockery Ware;

Glass Ware;

Kitchen Furniture.

—ALSO—

One Solitaire Diamond Ring;

One Watch and Chain;

Lot of Plated Chains and Lockets.

J. A. McCREA,

AUCTIONEER,

—ALSO—

ON SAME DAY,

At 12 o'clock, M.,

AT SALESROOM, ON WHARF STREET,

Administrator's Sale!

Estate of STEPHEN JONES, deceased.

Schooner "North Star,"

One half interest in the Schooner "North

Star," as she now lies at the Hudson Bay

Co.'s Wharf. Said Schooner is nearly

new, upwards of 60 tons burthen, and is

well found.

TERMS, CASH.

J. A. McCREA,

Auctioneer.

Mr. William Oakley,

Architect and Surveyor,

Government street, opposite the St. James

PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, AND WORKS

intended.

Quantities Taken Out:

Dispositions Surveyed;

Valuations Made:

Land Surveying, Dwellings, etc. ap30 1w

Spring Vale Water.

FROM AND AFTER THIS DATE,

Water will be supplied to Shipping at the Ports

of Victoria and Esquimalt at the following rates:

For Quantities over 5 Tons, \$1 per Ton for

200 Imperial or 240 American Gallons;

For Quantities less than 5 Tons, \$1 25 per

Ton.

ORDERS left at the office of the Under-Secretary

Union Wharf, will receive prompt attention.

H. R. BROWNE,

Agent.

Victoria, V. I. 23rd April, 1863.

All Orders For

ELLIOTT & STUART'S

FINE PALE ALE,

Can now be Executed Without Delay.

FAMILIES AND THE TRADE SUP-

plied with the above Celebrated Ale, in Casks of

45 gallons and upwards, Imperial Measure.

ORDERS received at the Brewery or the office,

will be attended to punctually.

LION BREWERY OFFICE,

Langley street. ap30 1w

WANTED.

A Respectable Married Couple,

TO ACT AS STEWARDS AT THE

Royal Columbian Hotel, New Westminster.

Applications to be made till 15th May, at New West-

minster, to the Board of Management, or at the

residence of Mr. Searby & Moore, Government street.

A. C. LAWRENCE,

Hon. Sec.

New Westminster, April 21, 1863.

To Builders and Contractors.

WANTED, TENDERS FOR EXCA-

vating and Filling in What is Situated Street

Plan and Specification may be seen at the Office of

Mr. Wm. Oakley, Architect and Surveyor, Gov-

ernment street, (opposite the St. James)

All Tenders to be delivered to the above on or

before MONDAY, May 4th. ap30 1w

Bank of British North America.

BANK HOLIDAY.

THE BANK WILL BE CLOSED

during FRIDAY, the first of May next, in

Victoria, 28th April, 1863. ap30 1w

Bank of British Columbia.

FRIDAY THE FIRST OF MAY, BE-

ing observed as a Holiday, this Bank will be

closed for business on that day.

JAMES D. WALKER,

Manager. ap30 1w

TO HOTEL & RESTAURANT KEEPERS

Grocers, etc.

ABOUT TWENTY TONS VERY FINE

Wool in good Sacks.

For sale low, in lots to suit by

TODD, TURNER & CO.,

Langley street. ap30 2w

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NATHAN POINTER,

IMPORTER AND DEALER IN

Gentlemen's F. shing Goods

GOVERNMENT STREET,

in the lower story of

British Colonist Fire-Proof Building,

Is now prepared to offer the largest assortment of

Gentlemen's Furnishing Goods ever exhibited in

Victoria, consisting of Messrs. Davis & Jones' Patent

Hats (of New York), and L. A. Johnson's Improved

Shoulder Seam Patent Shirts, (of Philadelphia)

Just received, the latest styles of

BALTIC SHIRTS,

from London. Also, a fine lot of pure Baltic Stock

ings and hose, Gents' Shaker Plumed Undershirts and

Drawers. Also, a fine lot of Derby and Saxony

Wool Shirts and Drawers.

White and Colored Muslin Shirts, a full assortment

Gentlemen's Superior Manchester Cotton Shirts, a mag

nificent assortment of

GENTS' SILK SCARFS,

a new style of Gents' Fine Cashmere Comforters and

Opera Scarfs, and of Gentlemen's Silk Gloves, ex

cellent and also receiving by every Steamer those beautiful

BYRON SHIRTS,

of all sizes, varying from 12 to 20 inches around the

neck. Ladies should call and examine those

Baltic Stockings,

for winter wear. Orders sent through Express for

quick delivery, by sending the size of the neck, I will

guarantee to fit. Orders filled for all parts of

British Columbia & Puget Sound.

I shall receive from Goods by every arrival from

London, Ladys' and Gentlemen's Silk Gloves, ex

Grosvenor. A fine lot of

GENTLEMEN'S GLOVES,

for the Fall and Winter trade.

—ALSO—

a fine lot of Ladies' and Gentlemen's Silk Umbrellas

high finish. The Gloves consist of some 12 dozen

pairs, of various kinds. The Grosvenor Blue Over

shirts, weighing two and a half pounds, with double

button. We study to please. Business hours, from

A. M. to 10 P. M. ap30 1w

WILLIAM NEWBURY

Saddle, Collar,

AND HARNESS MAKER.

RESPECTFULLY INFORMS THE

Citizens of Victoria and the public generally

that he has commenced the above business on

GOVERNMENT STREET,

OPPOSITE THE ST. NICHOLAS HOTEL.

And hopes by paying strict attention to business

and by charging moderately to obtain a share of

public patronage.

A GOOD STOCK OF

English, Mexican and Other Saddles.

Also, a General Assortment of

HARNESS, RIDING BRIDLES, WHIPS

AND SPURS ON HAND.

Wm. Newbury having been in business for the

last five years in England, and being acquainted

with some of the best Manufacturers, is enabled to

import every article in his line and supply the same

to his customers at a

LOWER RATE

THAN CAN BE FOUND ELSEWHERE.

Orders from British Columbia punctually at-

tended to. REPAIRING

NEATLY DONE ON THE SHORTEST NOTICE.

ap30 1w

The Undersigned begs to give Notice

TO MERCHANTS, MINERS & C

In the Cariboo Country,

That he has made arrangements

By every Express with the

Latest Newspapers,

And that the same may be had from

MR. P. L. RUDDIMENT, Richfield, Williams

Creek.

MR. M. H. WEBB, Van Winkle, Lightning Creek

R. C.

H. F. HEISTERMAN,

Exchange New Room.

ap30 1w

Miss Florence Wilson,

DEGS TO INFORM HER FRIENDS

and the public, that she has REMOVED to

the St. Nicholas Building, to No. 7 Government

street, next to Mr. Lowndes, where may be found

a large assortment of

Stationery!

—AND—

FANCY ARTICLES!

JUST ARRIVED FROM ENGLAND,

—CONSISTING OF—

PHOTOGRAPHIC STANDS AND ALBUMS,

LADIES' & GENTLEMEN'S DRESSING CASES,

WRITING CASES, FANS,

PORTFOLIOS, KNITTING BOXES,

ORNAMENTS—in Carved Wood and Papier Mache

ap30 1w

WIRE ROPE,

FOR SHIPRIGGING, FERRY ROPES,

Hoisting and general purposes;

Wire Strand, for Fencing;

WIRE FENCING of all kinds and description.

A full assortment of WIRE on hand, at the Manu-

facturing office of

HALLIDAY & CO.,

San Francisco, Cal.

J. SOUTHAFF & CO., Agents, Victoria

ap27 2w

A. NOLTEMEIER,

